(d) whether Government propose to improve the quality of wheat and rice to be distributed through fair price shops in the country to encourage public to buy only through PDS; and

(e) if so, the action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) to (e) FCI issues rice and wheat of fair average quality to State Governments and UT Administrations, which in turn administer the further distribution of the commodities through fair price shops. Large quantities of wheat and rice of the order of 14 million tonnes are generally lifted by public through fair price shops. The Central Government has, however, requested the State Governments/ UT Administrations to tighten supervision to ensure that proper quality of wheat and rice reaches all consumers.

Introducing computers in sanskrit education and research

1698. SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the importance of Sanskrit in solving problems relating to the computer processing of Indian Languages;

(b) if so, what are the schemes for involving Sanskrit scholars on computer oriented language projects on continuing basis;

(c) what are the training programmes to introduce computers in Sanskrit education and research; and

(d) which Sanskrit institutions have been identified for conducting computer training programmes at different levels certificates, diploma and degree?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Department of Electronics has funded projects under the Technology Development for Indian Languages (TDIL) Programme. The basic areas covered are:

(i) Information processing system in Sanshkrit;

(ii) computer based semantic processing;

(iii) Sanskrit Grammar; and

(iv) preparation of course material, curriculam and guidelines for introduction of Sanskrit to linguistics and computer scientists;

The participating institutions are:

1. Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, New Delhi.

2. Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, Tirupati.

3. Gurukul Kangdi University, Haridwar.

4. Sampurnanand Sanskrit University, Varanasi.

5. Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote.

(d) Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, New Delhi is running certificate course for B.Ed. and M. Ed. students in the area of Computer Assisted Sanskrit Learning & Teaching.

सिविल सेवा व्यक्तित्व परीक्षा के लिए निर्धारित किए गए अंक

1699. श्री राम अवधेश सिंह : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारतीय प्रशासनिक सेवा और भारतीय पुलिस सेवा में अन्तिम चयन, में साक्षात्कार के लिए 300 अंक निर्धारित किए गए हैं ;